GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:35
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SAFFRONISATION OF SYLLABUS BY NCERT
M.V.V.S MURTHI

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned saffronised syllabus erodes NCERT credibility appearing at page 9 in the 'Hindu' dated February 1, 2001;

(b) if so, the factual position of the matter reported therein; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto and the action likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): As reported by the NCERT, thenews-item is based on false allegations and baseless apprehensions. NCERT througha Press Release issued subsequently, which was published in same news paper on February 2, 2002 clarified the factual position. Every effort has been made by them to protect the feelings of all communities and linguistic groups.